

The Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Dear The Federal Communications Commission,

As a person trying to live on a fixed income, I believe the flat-fee Universal Service Fund proposal is grossly unfair!

I urge you to oppose this plan.

I am one of the millions of consumers that will be unfairly taxed at a higher rate under the flat fee plan. The flat-fee would mean a tax hike for people like me -- consumers that use prepaid cellular phones mostly for emergency calls or make a few long distance calls.

I support the Keep USF Fair Coalition, and monitor this issue on their website. Stopping the flat fee tax is important to me because I am trying to live on a fixed income.

In my opinion, the flat-fee is unfair. Here's why. Under the flat fee proposal being considered, people who make few long distance calls would be charged the same as people or businesses that make thousands of calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as high-volume residential or business customers.

I urge you to reject this flat-fee proposal and lower any special use fees or taxes on all communications technologies.

Thank you.

cc: FCC Chair Kevin Martin, Congress

Sincerely,

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Senator Richard Burr  
Representative Charles Taylor  
Senator Elizabeth Dole